SOCIAL HOUSING RENEWAL IN CENTRAL SYDNEY

The NSW Government is delivering a record 4,250 new homes across the City of Sydney LGA, with the addition of two new housing renewal projects at Franklyn Street Glebe and Explorer Street South Eveleigh.

Since February, the NSW Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC) has lodged planning proposals with the City of Sydney to advance three other major housing revitalisation projects including Elizabeth Street Redfern, Waterloo South and Cowper Street, Glebe.

Minister for Water, Property and Housing, Melinda Pavey said these two new projects of around 850 dwellings, will bring the total number of new homes in the City of Sydney to around 4,250, of which around 1,260 will be social - a 38 per cent increase in social homes over the five projects' current social housing numbers.

"Housing is key to the economic recovery of NSW with these five projects creating around 9,400 direct and indirect jobs over the lifespan of the projects," Mrs Pavey said.

"These two new renewals will not only increase new housing supply, but provide more and better open space and better connectivity to essential services such as shops, transport, jobs, parks and schools – which is emblematic of the work the Government is doing.

"By deconcentrating disadvantage, we can breathe new life into local economies and deliver more jobs, provide better connections to education outcomes and improve amenities for all residents."

LAHC is working with the City of Sydney and expert local architects to develop the concepts for these new projects. The Projects will start with a community engagement process over the coming weeks, seeking feedback from the residents and local community prior to lodgment. After lodgment, the City of Sydney will manage community engagement.

"All residents will be able to choose to return to a new home in the project areas and we will be working closely with social housing residents to support them through the changes arising from the renewal," Mrs Pavey said.

For more details on NSW Government social housing renewal projects in the City of Sydney visit <u>https://www.dpie.nsw.gov.au/lahc/major-projects</u>

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